

Corning Union High School Special School Board Meeting

DATE: March 8, 2018

TYPE OF MEETING:
Special

TIME: 5:45 P.M.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

PLACE: Corning Union High School
Library

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jim Bingham
Todd Henderson
Scott Patton
Ken Vaughan

VISITORS:

Luke Alexander, Cody Lamb
Nicole Mathisen, Lorenzo Casia
William Mach, Myndee Albers
Shannon Albers

SCHOOL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES:

Jared Caylor, District Superintendent
Christine Towne, Chief Business Officer
Charlie Troughton, CUHS Principal
Sally Tollison, Associate Principal
Jessica Marquez, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

THE CORNING UNION HIGH SCHOOL -

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Board President Jim Bingham.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Board President, Jim Bingham asked the Board and audience to stand and salute the flag.
- 3. ROLE CALL:** Board President, Jim Bingham asked for a roll call. Attendance is as follows:
 - Jim Bingham
 - Ken Vaughan
 - Scott Patton
 - Todd Henderson

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4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was none.

**5. POTENTIAL BOARD
MEMEBR INTERVIEWS:**

Superintendent, Jared Caylor thanked the Board and candidates being here. Thanked all of you for submitting applications and for their interest in serving CUHSD. The main outline of the process

The District received 5 applications for the vacancy.

The Board has reviewed the applications and will interview all five candidates separately. Each candidate will be asked the same seven questions. The Board will interview candidates in alphabetical order according to last name. Luke Alexander will be first, followed by Lorenzo Casia, then Cody Lamb, then William Mache, then Nicole Mathisen. In an effort to avoid an advantage for any one candidate and because all candidates will be asked the same questions, we will ask candidates to wait in the room next door while we interview other candidates.

The questions being asked are as follows:

1. Please take a couple of minutes to tell us about yourself and why you believe you'd be a good school board member.
2. As a trustee, what do you see as your primary purpose or primary role? How would you fulfill that role, both as an individual and as a member of the governing board?
3. What are you proud of in this district? What would you like to accomplish as a board member? Which is your highest priority, and why?
4. Describe your response if a parent cornered you in the grocery store and asked for your support on a particularly controversial issue.
5. What would you do if you believed administrators had not provided you with accurate and complete information for making a decision?
6. How does an effective school board make sure parents and community members have the opportunity to express their differing views and inform board deliberations on important issues?
7. Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about yourself that you haven't had the opportunity share yet?

Luke Alexander:

1. Luke was born and raised in Corning, after high school graduation started working in construction for 22 years. Luke has farmed for 11 years. Has three children and a 9th grader coming in. Would like to contribute his knowledge with construction and farming.

2. The Primary Purpose would be to direct the Superintendent to execute their ideas & beliefs. Look at what needs to be done.
3. Luke is proud of the sense of pride that is shared within the community.
4. Listen to the parent, bring back information to staff or Superintendent.
5. Luke believes that this would fall back on the Superintendent. The Superintendent is the liason between the Board and Administration.
6. Luke feels that possibly sending agendas out to parents would be good but he has also noticed that the district has been more opened with public comment and making the public feel welcome to attend the meetings and give feedback if they requested.
7. Luke feels he is motivated and in the construction industry which would be an asset. He has been on the school board with other district and has the time and energy for this.

Lorenzo Casio:

1. Lived in Corning for 46 years now. Graduated from Corning High. He was in the coast guard, attended Shasta College and worked at Corning Lumber gained experience and knowledge working there. He spoke of himself as an over thinker and spoke of his family.
2. Keep an eye on things and make sure money is spent correctly. He is innovative and is opened to trying new things.
3. Proud of the school, staff and students. The teachers and staff always move in the same direction for the students. This is a safe place and would like to be part of the board to give back to the community.
4. Lorenzo would ask the parent questions. He would bring those concerns back to the board at the next board meeting.
5. Lorenzo would communicate and let Administration know what he is hearing and discuss it.
6. Communication is key.
7. Nothing else to add.

Cody Lamb:

1. Cody has 2 children who are 2 & 4 years old. He has been a resident for 25 years. Moved away for a short time and came back. He was the project manager who helped with construction of the track. He is offering fiscal responsibility, integrity and sound judgement.
2. Due-diligence on decisions. Collaboration with the Board, Superintendent and Administration.
3. Proud of the community involvement. Not just in athletics, but Alumni, Academic. The Bond that was recently passed may be the only one for many years so would like to ensure that the best decisions are made for the future of this district for his children and others in the community.
4. Cody would ask for input and would not make a decision. He would bring this back to the board at a meeting.
5. Good collaboration. Have to find out the facts and have information provided.
6. Public should feel welcome at the meetings and should be able to give their input and comment if they wish.
7. Integrity and respect is what Cody has to offer. He would like the best for the district as a whole.

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William Mache:

1. Extensive background and was first hired at Corning High in 1977. Taught with Gary Burton and taught in math department for 10 years. Worked in leadership and then moved to Boys P.E. William coached Varsity Basketball all but 2 years here ending in 2014 and he retired from Corning High in 2014. He was interactive with the Board many times with presentation and helped implement the random drug testing Board Policy.
2. William has never accomplished much without a team and that is what this is. He is not well versed in Board Procedure but has been involved with the school for a long time. Vice Principals have looked to him in the past for assistance. He was always willing to help.
3. Tradition of this school is important to William. He wants to contribute whatever he can to help the faculty, staff and students of the district and to help bridge the gaps that need to be bridged.
4. Bud Gott once shared with him to not make quick decisions. He would be cordial but non-committal. The parents and community deserve your ear but the Board needs to think about things.
5. William would have a discussion and find out where the breakdown is. He helped implement a drug policy many years ago. He read something in the paper and realized that this was a problem. He took the information to the Board and decided that this policy needed to be adopted.
6. The culture of the school is important. The parents should feel comfortable to approach Administration and Teachers. They need to feel that they can approach the board.
7. Nothing else to add.

Nicole Mathisen:

1. New mother, business owner of Java Lanes. She shared that she has an open mind with no affiliations to the school. She has a strong opinion and the outcome of the students is important to her. She is an active member of society and is a Corning High School Graduate.
2. Primary purpose is to provide oversight of school Administration, make sure that they are adhering to guidelines, policies, board policies and give her input and ideas. She would like to help further the education of the students.
3. Would like to accomplish an anti-bullying policy. Proud of the fact that Corning is a close knit community. The teachers, board and staff care about the students on campus.
4. Opened minded and opinionated. As a member, people would come up to her but she would listen to their concerns and as a board member she feels that she would be a voice of the public. This would be dealt with in an appropriate timeline and in an appropriate manner.
5. Would discuss concerns with Administration and ask for further details. It is the Board is responsibility to make sure that policies are followed.

6. Everyone has a right to show up at the meetings and they are posted in a timely manner. She knows that the board needs to follow the Brown Act.
7. Nicole would have an opened mind, no affiliations. She worked for the elementary school district and became more interested in becoming part of a school board. She would like quality education, faculty & staff deserve a fair wage and it is important that the well-being of students be taken seriously. She wants students to feel confident and secure. To give them a place to grow.

Board members, discussed the candidates in the order that they interviewed. Superintendent, Jared Caylor now will ask the Board for information on each candidate:

- 1) What skills or experience do you think _____ has that would benefit the Board and District?
- 2) What connections does _____ have to Corning Union High School District that make him/her a strong candidate?
- 3) What ways does _____ meet the considerations suggested by CSBA in evaluating candidates or what ways does he/she meet the priorities you have for a new member?

Luke Alexander

Skills/Experience: Board Members Scott Patton liked that Luke had experience in farming and in construction. Board Clerk, Todd Henderson liked that he was a local businessman with school board experience. He wanted to make sure if Cody of Luke were chosen that there would be no conflicts with the Bond Construction. Superintendent, Jared Caylor would need to make sure there was no conflicts of interest. Luke ensured that he would excuse himself from a vote if needed to keep things clean. Cody Lamb shared that he works for someone but is not the owner. He would abstain from the vote if needed.

Connections: Board Member, Scott Patton liked that Luke has kids coming in to Corning High and that he is a graduate of Corning High. Board Member, Ken Vaughan liked that he was involved a lot at Kirkwood and has done a lot of great things for that district. Board President, Jim Bingham was impressed with what has been accomplished at Kirkwood and he knows he had a lot to do with that.

Considerations: Board Member, Scott Patton shared that the experience with Kirkwood is a benefit. Although it is a smaller district, it would be helpful to our district. The knowledge that Luke has would benefit.

Anything Else- Board Member, Ken Vaughan shared that Luke would be an excellent choice for a school board member of Corning High.

Lorenzo Casia-

Skills/Experience: Board Member, Ken Vaughan shares that Lorenzo knows what is going on here and would be excellent on the board.

Board Clerk, Todd Henderson likes his experience and he almost lost to him at the last election.

Connections: Board President, Jim Bingham shared that his experience at the lumber store would help tremendously with construction topics and he has never heard one bad thing about him. He is a great man.

Consideration: Board Member, Scoot Patton shared that he knows the Brown Act and is a good communicator. He is a good listener and is good with discussions within the community.

Anything Else- None

Cody Lamb-

Skills/Experience: Board Member, Scott Patton shared that Cody knows the track. Board Member, Ken Vaughan shared that he has experience. Board Clerk, Todd Henderson shared that Cody's experience would be helpful with projects. Board President, Jim Bingham shared that Cody is not afraid to speak his mind and would be an asset to the board.

Connections: Board Member, Todd Henderson shared that his mother works here and he is a family man.

Considerations: Board Member, Ken Vaughan feels that Cody would be a valuable asset to the Board. Board Clerk, Todd Henderson feels that he has experience that would be valuable to the Board. Board Member, Scott Patton knows that Cody would bring many things to the table and he brings the best out of people.

Anything Else- None

William Mache-

Skills/Experience: Board Member, Scott Patton feels that William have proven himself as an asset to Corning High, helped with implementing the Drug Policy. Board President, Jim Bingham has known him for 30 years and he knows that he never loses his cool and always thinks things through. Board Member, Ken Vaughan knows he lead the basketball team and can help with this team. Board Clerk, Todd Henderson He realized that being part of the school helps with communication on the Board. Jim Bingham has used his experience as a teacher with board discussions and decisions so he feels that this would be another asset to the board.

Connections: Much of this was spoke about already. Board Member, Scott Patton shared that William also helped turn the summer school program around many years ago and it has been running well ever since.

Considerations- Same as above.

Anything Else- None

Nicole Mathisen-

Skills/Experience: Board Member, Scott Patton shared that she is highly motivated, involved with student and involved in the community. We do have oversight committees that Nicole may be able to be involved in if she was interested. Board President, Jim Bingham appreciated that the students come first and this is important.

Connections: Board Member, Scott Patton shared that the bowling alley is always a helpful connection with graduation.

Considerations: Board Member, Scott Patton shared that she seems to have a great sense of communication. Would be a fine choice for the Board.

Anything Else: None

**6. APPOINTMENT OF
NEW BOARD
MEMBER:**

Superintendent, Jared Caylor shared that a straw poll like system will take place:

Each Member will disclose their top selection:

Board Clerk Todd Henderson	William Mache
Board President Jim Bingham	William Mache
Board Member Ken Vaughan	William Mache
Board Member Scott Patton	William Mache

A motion was made by Scott Patton and seconded by Todd Henderson to appoint William Mache's as the new Board Member to fill the vacancy arising from resignation of Trustee Pauletta Bray. There being no further discussion, the Board voted unanimously to appoint William Mache.

**7. OATH OF
OFFICE FOR
NEW BOARD
MEMBER:**

Superintendent, Jared Caylor administered the Oath of Office to William Mache.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Scott Patton and seconded by Jim Bingham to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Approved

James Bingham, President

Todd Henderson, Clerk